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Nebulae That May Not Be Forming Worlds.—A Remarkable Anticyclone.—Road-Making Novelty.—Another Beginning of Life.—Our Heart-Beats.—A Workshop Furnace.—Metal Emanation.—Ear Massage.—Copper Cork.

The mystery of the spiral nebulae of the sky is further from solution than is sometimes supposed. Prof. T. J. J. See rejects the theory that they are true nebulae condensing into systems of worlds or stars, as no proof exists that they are gaseous nebulae at all, while it is by no means certain that nebulae form stars. The outline of the spirals suggests repulsion rather than condensation, this view being in harmony with recent investigations of radioactive and other repulsive forces. The circularity of the planetary orbits makes it absurd to assume that the solar system ever formed part of a spiral nebula. A present view must admit that the nature of the spiral nebulae is quite unknown; and while we cannot be sure that nebulae develop into stars, we may justly hold that the stars are the outgrowth of gravitational condensation of matter which was once dark.

January was made memorable by the unusually high atmospheric pressure that prevailed over western Europe during most of the month. The extreme was reached on the 23rd, when the barometric reading was 31.58 inches at Riga, and the region of 31 in.ches and above embraced parts of England, Scotland and Ireland, all previous records being exceeded at some stations. The highest reading on record at any place is 31.72 inches, which occurred at Irkutsk Dec. 20, 1896, and at Semipalatinsk Dec. 16, 1877. The lowest record on the earth's surface, and reduced to sea-level, is 27.12 inches, and this was made at A'Isa Point, on the coast of Orissa, British India, Sept. 22, 1885.

The promising elastic road now being tested at Zurich consists of a thick rolled layer of fine tarred gravel. The grains, about a twelfth of an inch in size, were coated with tar in a revolving drum, and then hardened for two months.

The problem of life's origin continues to be attacked patiently and persistently, and we cannot fail to find something of interest in such work as that of Dr. H. C. Bastian, F. R. S., who now, after more than thirty years of investigation, has produced living organisms from what he believes to have been lifeless chemicals. After being heated and hermetically sealed in tubes, various saline solutions containing ammoniacal salts were again heated, in a calcium chloride bath, to temperatures ranging from 239 deg. to 260 deg. Fahr. According to accepted theories, the tubes should have been absolutely sterile, and every trace of life should have been destroyed. The tubes were then exposed to diffused daylight or placed in an incubator for five weeks to four months. When opened, all contained one or more kinds of micro-organisms, but control tubes, which had been exposed only a few hours, showed no traces of such organisms. The solutions seem to have lacked carbon—the universal constituent of living things—though containing silicon, its chemical ally.

The normal pulse has a wide range, but is always faster in females than males, and steadily declines from birth to death. Eminent physicians have thought it possible to tell a person's sex and age from the pulse alone. The average rate at birth is 160 beats a minute in girls and 150 in boys; at the age of four or five 110 and 100; in maidens and youths, 95 and 90; in mature women and men, 80 and 75; and in elderly women and men, 60 and 50. In one recorded case the pulse of a healthy man of 87 was only 30 a minute. The pulse varies with stature, position of body, exercise and health, and in disease it has been known to fall to 14 a minute.

In the new electric furnace of Prof. W. H. Bristol, a fused quartz receptacle is wound for temperatures as high as 2300 degrees F.—with platinum wire insulated with asbestos

Washington Letter.

Washington

Washington, February 22, 1907.

During the past week the Japanese question has been—or, rather, has pretended to have been settled by the passage of the immigration bill containing the president's provision placing in his hands the power to exclude Japanese from California if he shall deem that they will be a detriment to labor conditions on the coast. In return the San Francisco school board will admit Japanese pupils to all the public schools. This arrangement of the difficulty presents one or two points in line with the argument of congressman McCall in his notable speech in New York warning the country against the growing tendency to centralize the power of the government in the chief executive. In the case of the amendment to the immigration bill, the fact is patent that the president has practically usurped the legislative function of congress, for the amendment was placed in a bill already in conference and was forced through under a threat and a promise without permitting either branch of congress to debate it. The threat was that if the bill was not passed an extra session would be called, and the promise was that although the provisions relative to contract labor in which the southern states are interested were changed, the ruling made under the bill which has been superseded shall stand. It is plain that if a measure of such importance as this can be enacted into law in this way, other and perhaps more vital questions can be disposed of without undergoing the scrutiny of the senate and the house.

But it begins to appear probable that the diplomacy of the president with Japan and the concession of mayor Schmitz and the San Francisco board of education to the president will not remove the friction between the two countries, although the president may, as he is authorized to do, admit as many Japanese into California as he may see fit in order to placate Japan. It is already reported that the administration has the Japanese on its hands, and that it sees the desirability of increasing its naval strength in Pacific waters. Yesterday a conference was held at the White House between the president, admiral Dewey, the officers of the navy general board, the chief of the bureau of navigation and the secretary of the navy. The proceedings were secret, and secretary McCall became somewhat heated when a reporter made inquiries about the conference. It is understood, however, that the advisability of increasing our Pacific fleet was discussed in the light of our present relations with Japan, and that there arose the question of an emergency appropriation by congress to be used in case there were need of large sums of money before the next session. In view of the easy victory won by Japan over the administration, it would not be surprising if other demands were made that will not permit of solution without greater concessions on our part.

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Food in concentrated form for sick and well, young and old, rich and poor.

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Some time ago Hon. Francis Cattle of Riverside, chairman of the tri-counties reforestation committee, wrote to senator Perkins in regard to securing government aid in the reforestation of denuded areas in the San Bernardino forest reserve, planting trees where the standing timber is too thin to conserve to best advantage the rainfall, and in preventing the further destruction of trees and brush within the reserve. The matter was called to the attention of the agricultural department, which through the bureau of forestry, took great interest in the subject, and yesterday forester Pinchot wrote to senator Perkins as follows:

"I entirely agree with Mr Cattle that this work is extremely important and I shall be very glad to set aside the sum of \$5,000 for it, provided the California legislature appropriates an equal amount. The \$5,000 which the forest service would allot for the work will not be available, I regret to say, until July 1st, since all of the funds at present at our disposal will be needed for regular administrative work and the money will have to be taken from the appropriation for the next fiscal year. I do not think, however, that this fact should prevent the state legislature, if they should decide upon the appropriation of \$5,000 for the work, to make it available at once."

"Such an arrangement would permit the work to go right on if the money already subscribed by the forest service and the counties of Riverside and San Bernardino is expended before July 1st. I sincerely hope the legislature will be able to make the appropriation and I shall be glad to take up, with the proper authorities, at any time the details of an agreement, which must necessarily be entered into with the forest service."

Senator Perkins at once telegraphed to Mr Cattle the suggestion of forester Pinchot that the legislature may be informed of the situation and the appropriation secured.

Senator Flint from the committee on public lands last week reported favorably senator Perkins' bill providing a way by which the government could secure the Calaveras Big Tree groves, but when the measure had been got before the senate it met with an objection and the result is that the bill will not in all probability be passed at this session of congress.

The naval bill was passed by the senate late Wednesday evening. It carries appropriations aggregating \$248,500 for the Mare Island Navy Yard, of which \$100,600 was secured by senator Perkins and congressman Knowland for a central power station.

Last Wednesday senator Perkins and congressman Kahn each introduced a bill providing for the appointment of an additional district judge for the northern district of California, for the reason the former bill which passed the house of representatives for an additional district judge was loaded down with an amendment in the senate providing for two additional judges for the ninth circuit. This the house refused to concur in and referred the bill to the judiciary committee who decline to consider it.

The river and harbor bill has passed the senate with the appropriations for the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers and for other objects as previously set forth in these letters.

The Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West desires to hold its annual session in 1908 in the Yosemite valley, and applied to the department of the interior for a permit to do so. The department while offering no objection to the plan, thought it was too far in advance of the date of meeting to issue a permit now, as work might in the meanwhile be undertaken that might be interfered with by the proposed camp. It therefore suggested that the application be made again in about a year. But the Grand Parlor must state the place of meeting next spring, and it is therefore necessary to know very soon whether permission can be granted, and it was written to the California delegation on the subject. They will endeavor to secure from the department of the interior the necessary permit before the Grand Parlor meets in April.

The chamber of commerce of Venice a few days ago wrote to the secretary of the navy requesting that a suitable craft be detailed for the training of a division of the young men of southern California who are interested in naval militia work. The secretary of the navy has informed the chamber that inasmuch as there is not an organized division of the naval militia in that section of the state, the department will be unable to detail a vessel for the purpose. He suggests that a division be organized, and when this is done it will be able to share in the state's share of the allotment for naval militia and will be able to secure arms, equipment, etc., and a vessel when available.

Congress has refused to sanction the imposition of a tax on the production of electric power through streams in forest reservations. This plan of the forestry bureau has been strenuously combated by Hon. Frank H. Short of Fresno, who has conducted the cause of power companies which desire to utilize the water power of the reserves. The action taken by the senate, if concurred in by the house of representatives, will enable all streams to be utilized to the best advantage without the payment of toll to the government.

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Taxes on Movable Property.

At the recent meeting of the county assessors of the State, held in Visalia, the following uniform rates were adopted for assessments in the valley:

- Horses, \$40 and up.
- Colts, one year, \$15 and up; two year, \$25 and up; three years, \$35 and up.
- Mules, \$40 and up.
- Mule colts, one year, \$20 and up; two years, \$30 and up; three years, \$40 and up.
- Milk cows, \$20 and up.
- Stock cattle, \$12 and up.
- Beef cattle, \$20 and up.
- Calves, \$5.
- Sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.
- Lambs, spring, 50 cents; fall lambs \$1.50.
- Poultry, \$2.50 per dozen.
- Bee hives, \$1.
- Hogs, four cents per pound.
- Wine, ten to twenty cents per gallon.
- Oil cars, \$350.
- Refrigerators, \$500.

The matter of fixing grain prices was left to H. I. Jones of Contra Costa.

You should be very careful of your bowels when you have a cold. Nearly all other cold syrups are constipating, especially those containing opiates. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup moves the bowels—contains no opiates. Conforms to National Pure Food and Drugs Law. Bears the endorsement of members everywhere. Children like its pleasant taste. Sold by F. W. Rubner.

How Poll Tax Counts Up.

Where poll tax is not paid by a party owning real estate it constitutes a lien on the property until paid, and should the property be sold, by the one who owes the poll tax the purchaser must pay the tax in order to have a clear title. Our attention was called to a case of this kind this week. A certain man, in 1894, failed to pay his poll tax. In June, 1895, the property was sold to the State for this reason. The man subsequently sold the property to another and the purchaser has now discovered there is a State claim against it for \$10.60. Redemption was made this week. This is the way it counted up when the poll tax of \$2 was not paid: Delinquent poll tax, \$4, interest from 1895 to 1907, \$4.60; penalty on redemption, \$2; total, \$10.60. It's best to pay up promptly. —Exchange.

The winds of March have no terror to the user of DeWitt's Carbolicized Hazel Salve. It quickly heals chapped and cracked skin. Good too, for boils and burns, and undoubtedly the best relief for piles. Sold here by F. W. Rubner.

Governor Gillett has vetoed senate bill No. 427, for two material reasons, the first being the phraseology of the bill is defective in that it omits any verb in its first section and the second is, that a portion of the proposed State highway which it provides for is largely imaginative and would cost the State an immense sum to complete and would prove but little if any benefit to the State at large. The bill provides that the road running from Pine Grove in Amador county through Hope Valley, to connect at the Osgood place in El Dorado county, with the Lake Tahoe road and via Markleville in Alpine county, the Sonoma and Mono road be declared a State highway. The first section of the measure that is objected to by the governor is simply descriptive and does not declare that the present road shall be made a State highway or anything else. The measure was proposed by senator Caminetti. —Sac. News.

A Mother's Love.

Written for the Ledger by Mrs. Prout, Jackson, Cal.

A mother's love—a love that knows No earthly strain, no selfish part; A love pure as the love that grows In heaven within an angel's heart.

For you in early morning light For you in silence of the night, Her prayers goes up to heaven above— This is a dear mother's love.

A love that if you faint and fall Beneath the burden of your cross, She shares your grief and sorrows all, And helps you to reclaim the lost.

A love all patient to endure, A love forever strong and sure, Yet meek and gentle as a dove— This is a tender mother's love.

A love that as the years go by, And age and days and pain draw near, Still, like the stars that shine on high, Will shine upon thee pure and clear.

A love no absence can estrange, A love no time can chill or change— Or from its deep foundation move— This is a precious mother's love.

A love that will unchanging be, Though all the glad eternity, Part of that blessed life above— This is a tender mother's love.

Building Stone, Etc.

To the producers of structural and industrial materials of California— In a short time the government will construct several buildings in this State, and in order that California materials may receive proper recognition, and so far as possible enter into the construction of these buildings, I beg leave to suggest that you send to supervising architect, J. K. Taylor, treasury department, Washington, D. C., an average sample of your product and of sufficient size to enable him to make the necessary tests to determine its adaptability.

In the proposed buildings, some of the following substances will probably be required: Granite, sandstone, marble, serpentine, slate, limestone, tiling, terra cotta, cement, glass, plaster of paris, brick, mineral paint, magnesite products, and possibly asbestos.

Complaint has been made to this department that while other states have furnished the government architects with samples of their products, California producers have been lax in this respect. Therefore, in any future work proposed by the government in this state, if samples of our products are at hand from which selection can be made, our producers may be given opportunity to supply the material instead of having the same furnished by another state or foreign country.

Trusting this matter will receive your attention, I remain

Yours very truly,
L. E. AUBURY,
State Mineralogist.

The body of James Doyle, who died at Sutter Creek last Monday, was brought to San Andreas and interred in the Catholic cemetery last Wednesday, beside the body of his wife who has been buried there for a number of years. Mr Doyle was for years employed at the Gwin mine, but was taken with miner's consumption and has lately been living with relatives in Sutter Creek. The disease finally caused his death. A number of Jackson and Sutter Creek people came over to the funeral. —Citizen.

To remove a cough you must get at the cold which causes the cough. There is nothing so good for this as Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. The liquid cold relief that is most quickly effective, that stills and quiets the cough and drives out the cold. Sold by F. W. Rubner.

YOUR OWN FACE.

Would You Recognize It If You Saw It on Another?

"How curious it is," said the philosopher, "that the person for whom you care most on earth, the one you see oftenest and who receives your most constant attention, is the one whose countenance is least familiar to you."

"Who is that?" asked the visitor.

"Yourself," said the philosopher. "It is a fact that if people could be duplicated and could meet themselves in the street very few would recognize themselves. We look at ourselves many times during the 365 days of the year. We say our eyes are blue or brown or whatever other color they may be, our hair black, our chin peaked, our forehead high. We know every lineament of our face from constant study and attention, yet when we turn away from the mirror we cannot conjure up a picture of ourselves.

"We know just how our friends and even acquaintances look. In fancy we can see them sitting so or standing so, and their varying expressions under different circumstances are clear to us even though we may not have seen them for years, but when it comes to ourselves we cannot fill in even the outlines of the picture. We may laugh, we may cry, we may look while we are doing it. Photographs do not help. We have never seen ourselves in the flesh. Mirrors and pictures are poor aids when we sit down and try to see ourselves with the mind's eye.

"That is why people are so deeply interested in anybody who is said to resemble them. Just say to a man, 'I know somebody who is the dead image of you,' and he will never rest till he sees that person. Then if the likeness is really true he will own that up to that time he had had no conception of how he really looked."

The visitor smiled wanly.

"If you wouldn't talk like that," she said. "It makes me feel positively uncanny." —New York Press.

LAWS IN CHINA.

They Take No Account of the Intentions of the Accused.

The incompatibility of laws based on diverse civilizations is nowhere more marked than in China, says H. S. Morse in the Atlantic. There no bankruptcy law is possible. If a debtor's own estate will not suffice to make good by his father, brothers or uncles; if a debtor absconds his immediate family are promptly imprisoned; if the debtor returns he is put in prison and kept there indefinitely, so long as he can find money for his daily food until released by payment in full or by death. This is the law.

When in 1895 Admiral Ting found himself forced to surrender Weihaiwei and his fleet, he committed suicide. By this courageous step, technically dying before surrender, he saved his immediate family—father, mother, sons and daughters—from decapitation and their property from confiscation, the penalty when a commander surrenders an imperial fortress. This is the law.

When in the old days an English gunner caused the death of a Chinese by firing a salute from a cannon from which by oversight the ball had not been removed, he was seized, tried and executed. And in 1893, when in the course of a disturbance with English and American sailors at Canton a Chinese was killed, the authorities demanded that if the guilty person could not be detected and executed the whole party should be handed over for execution. This is the law.

Intention is never taken into account. A dollar for a dollar, an eye for an eye, a life for a life, and all for the emperor and his representatives—this is the law of China.

Notice to Pay Up.

Having bought the interest of my partner Fred Cofer, in the blacksmithing and wagon making business, all parties indebted to the firm of Cofer & Ford are requested to call and settle their bills as soon as possible. All bills are payable to the undersigned.

M. FORD.

DeWitt's Early Risers
The famous little pills.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
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Tone up your System with
Ruhser's Compound Extract of
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Jackson, Cal.

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Kullen has gone to the city for a new line of millinery goods, and will return before Easter, and remain in Jackson for two weeks. Wait and get bargains.

George Hambro came up from San Francisco a few days ago. He has been in the teaming business there since last June, and has done very well. He is looking around for horses. The demand for work horses is almost unlimited. They are shipping them in from every part of the country and still the supply is not equal to the demand. Many of the horses get sick and die, on account of the hard work, the climate, and the constant working in mud. Mr. Hambro will return to the city in a few days.

Postmaster F. A. Duden last Saturday received from the S. P. Company three fine engravings of California scenery, for exhibition in the post office. The subjects are, "Paso Robles Hot Springs," "Yosemite Falls," and "Lake Tahoe." They were secured through the courtesy of T. K. Jones, superintendent of the Sacramento division. They are quite an ornament to the postoffice.

The Ledger office is indebted to state mineralogist Aubrey for a map showing the forest reserves of California.

The dry goods store of E. W. Kelly after being closed under attachment suit for several weeks, was re-opened for business Monday morning, a settlement with the creditors having been effected. The exact figures of the compromise are unable to give. Reports are that the compromise was between 30 and 40 on the dollar.

Mrs. Justus left again for Oakland Monday morning.

M. L. Smith, Notary Public, and Stenographer; office Marella Hdg., Court street; telephone No. 413.

Max Ladar, the tailor, who has been in business here for the past fourteen years, left Saturday morning for the city, having retired from this field.

By favor of congressman Englebright we are in receipt of 100 packages of garden seeds, for free distribution. Parties can get a package on application to this office.

Chas. DeMolli, walking delegate of the Western Federation, went over to Angels Camp a few days ago. He is expected to return to Jackson about the 15th. According to street talk, a strike is scheduled for about that time, to be borne solely by the Italian element, most of whom are not members of the local union. The union miners discount the strike talk, and will have none of it. At the same time business men are complaining of dull times; people are holding the purse strings pretty tightly. That is always the result of labor agitation. Let us hope these pampered delegates will stay away, and give the camp a prolonged rest. That is certainly the greatest boon they can bestow upon the laboring class here.

The Jackson Social and Athletic club will give a social dance in Love's hall April 6.

Miss Myrtle Hayford has returned with a complete stock of millinery, veils, confirmation wreaths, plain and fancy ribbons.

S. L. N. Ellis, the supervisor of the Stanislaus forest reserve, of which Amador county forms a part, will be in Jackson on the 13th and 14th of this month, for the purpose of meeting the stockmen who are interested in grazing [stock within the limits of the reserve, and hearing applications for permits. All stockmen who can possibly do so should make it a point to be here, as much information on the matter of grazing within government reserves will no doubt be imparted. At present the stockmen are very much in the dark on the subject.

When you wish the finest flavored coffee and teas, remember that W. J. Nettie keeps the best.

Robert Dufrene, who submitted to so critical an operation last week for the removal of a chain of tumors from the neck, that were threatening strangulation, is doing nicely. He is able to be out of bed and around, and is feeling better than he has done in months past. Dr. Endicott removed the stitches from the incision on Sunday.

Louis Pocar fell 40 feet in the Gwin mine last Saturday, striking a timber in his descent, causing internal injuries, the outcome of which cannot be predicted. One of the kidneys is involved.

J. F. Wilson, Dentist. Hours 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Phone—Office, Black 441; residence, Black 394; Jackson.

Ledger and Chicago Week's Inter-ocean, both papers for one year, \$2.50 in advance.

For Sale.—A fine organ; also a roll-top desk, for sale very cheap. Apply to Mrs. B. F. Taylor, Jackson, mar. 8-2m.

The oldest son of J. L. Sargent of Middle Bar, was brought to Jackson Sunday for surgical treatment at the hands of Dr. Endicott, for a cut which severed the tendons of one finger.

A child of R. Sowden of the Gwin mine, swallowed some glass, and was brought to Jackson for treatment. He is getting along toward recovery.

The fees collected in the recorder's office last month amounted to \$107.25. In the clerk's office the fee receipts were \$85.75, distributed as follows: County clerk \$88; superior court \$31.50; probate \$34.25; new cases \$12.

J. E. Stirmann, one of the old settlers of Antelope district, is lying critically ill at his home in the mountains. He received a stroke of paralysis a few days ago.

Mrs. Chas. H. Crocker returned home Wednesday evening, after a visit of two weeks with friends in Sacramento.

Mrs. W. O. Green, accompanied by her granddaughter Veri Hubert, went to Galt Wednesday, where they were met by Mrs. Rose Scott, who took Miss Veri to the capital city for a visit of a week or so. Mrs. Green returned to Jackson the same day.

M. McGary, who has been on a prospecting tour in southern Nevada with a party of San Andreas people is expected home in a few days. They traveled over the desert in an automobile. He has located a couple of promising claims on his own account, and is also interested in a number of others located by the company.

St. Augustine's church, Jackson—Divine service Sunday evening next at 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

The Mt. Rev. W. H. Moreland, D. D. Bishop of Sacramento, will hold divine service in St. Augustine's church Sunday evening, the 17th day of March. Wm. Tison, rector.

Chas. H. Crocker got back from Colusa last week. He appeared for defendant in a mortgage foreclosure case. There was a contention as to the amount due, and the defendant's attorney succeeded in cutting the amount to his version of the account.

Geo. I. Wright has written to stockholders of the Del Monte Goldfield Mining and Leasing Co. from Goldfield, to the effect that the shut on the leased claim has been sunk a depth of 100 feet, entirely by wind-lashes. Sulphides have appeared, the forerunner of the approach to a ledge. The construction of a gasoline hoist is now the pressing need. The company are under obligation to sink 300 feet before taking out ore. It is expected to reach this depth in the next four months. Everything is reported to be looking very encouraging.

The amount of the adjusted insurance claim of Charles Hend, on his furniture lost or damaged by the fire last week was promptly paid. The matter was settled last Saturday by the payment of something over \$300. The property was insured for \$500. It was not a total loss, however, and the amount paid by the company is considered liberal. The insurance on the piano was independent of the policy on the furniture, and this claim has been settled. It belonged to the piano company, and had been placed only a few days before the fire in the head dwelling for storage. The scorched instrument was shipped back to the firm last week.

Dr. C. A. Herrick and family left for Stockton this morning, for a brief visit.

The mail was three hours late in arrival in Jackson last evening, caused by a delay on the main line below Galt.

In the proceedings of the board of supervisors last month we said that W. Plunkett was allowed \$76 for road work in district 5. This was a typographical error; it should have been \$7.

Several men employed by the city are at work today, scraping the mud from Main street. It is astonishing how the mud accumulates. There must be from twenty to thirty wagon loads in the space between Court street and Newman's stable.

Sheriff Gregory, who has been absent in San Francisco for several days, returned home last evening.

Dr. L. E. Phillips, returned from his vacation for his health's sake on Tuesday evening. He is much improved, and is attending to his practice as usual.

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DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

[The following instruments have been filed for record in the recorder's office since our last report. We publish a complete list of documents recorded, and must decline to accede to any request to suppress any document from these columns. Don't ask us to do so.]

Deeds.—W. F. Detert to Argonaut M. Co., various tracts of land in and near Jackson, \$10.

Mrs. Ann Purton to Mrs. Susie C. Culbert, lot 6 block 2, Plymouth, love and affection.

Mrs. B. Burke to Mrs. Annie Lepley, lot 3 block 3, Plymouth, love and affection.

J. W. Caldwell, commissioner to Lorenzo Marre, part of lot 8 block 22, Sutter Creek, \$933.25.

Hannah A. Hollister to W. H. Glenn, a two-thirds interest in Whitmore quartz mine near Volcano, \$10.

Mrs. Nancy Beiter et al to Mrs. Mary Allen, part of lot 29 block 4, Drytown, \$10.

Dola A. Nicholson et ux to Bertha Gordon, 360 acres in 9, 10 and 15-6-11, \$10.

Assignment of Mortgage.—Gill to Kidd.

Satisfaction of Mortgage.—Brown to Ninnis.

Partial Satisfaction of Mortgage.—Taylor to Blair.

Reconveyances.—Christian M. Gehrens to D. A. Nicholson.

Maurice L. Asher et al to D. A. Nicholson.

Notice of Sale.—C. Giovannoni et al give notice that they have purchased the stock and good will of W. E. Kent in Jackson, in the undertaking business and that \$1000 will be paid therefor March 11, 1907.

Trust Deed.—Bertha Gordon to Bank of Amador Co., 360 acres in 9, 10 and 15-6-11, \$8,000.

Certificates of Redemption.—Mrs. Anna Lehey 90 acres in 35-8-12, taxes of 1904, \$7.18.

Town Hall Trustees to lot 5 block 2, Pine Grove, taxes of 1902, \$15.41.

Geo. Schroeder on lot 3 block 9, Oleta, taxes of 1900 and 1901, \$8.14.

Satisfaction of Trust Deed.—Bank of Amador Co. to Bearce.

Proofs of Labor.—J. F. Goodman on Goodman and Bund placer, Volcano district.

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Certificate of Sale.—Lorenzo Marre vs. Wilford Dennis et ux, certificate filed for record.

Wanted.—To make contract with responsible contractor to haul lumber from saw mill to railroad. Five mile haul, practically all down hill. Make trip and one-half a day. Will have forty thousand feet a day, or one million a month for five or six months for three seasons. It will take ten or twelve four horse teams. Can use rollers on wagons and roll lumber off at railroad. Don't answer unless you mean business and are prepared to give a bond and carry out such a contract. Answer Box 50, Burlington.

CITY TRUSTEES.

There will be regular services at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., C. K. Winning, pastor; Sunday school at 2 p. m. All are welcome—seats free.

Regular monthly meeting of the board of trustees was held March 7.

Koll call showed trustees Garbarini and Kent absent.

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

Trustee Penry reported that the mud from Main street ought to be removed, and after a discussion in regard thereto it was decided to attend to same.

The regular monthly reports of the city marshal, treasurer and city clerk were read and approved.

The audit and finance reported favorably on the following claims: R. Webb, printing, \$9.00

E. Ginochio & Bro., supplies, 62.44

Mrs. C. C. Ginochio, team hire, 39.00

P. Guanello, labor, 25.75

Board of Supervisors.

The board met Monday, March 4; all members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Claims were examined and approved as follows:

W. M. Amick, mileage, \$2.40

L. Burke, " 2.40

D. A. Fraser, " 0.80

A. Grillo, " 2.40

H. E. Potter, requests, 61.00

F. M. Parker, watchman, 10.00

J. E. Barnes, printing, 1.35

Amador Ledger, " 26.25

Geo. A. Gordon, dep. assessor, 120.00

M. L. Smith, reporting, 45.00

Amador Dispatch, printing, 199.00

Amador E. R. & L. Co., lights, 6.00

Mr. Dal Porto, rebate on taxes, 6.30

Mrs. C. Richtmyer, water, 6.00

U. S. Gregory, supplies, 10.45

Jackson Gaslight Co., gas, 1.00

Wm. G. Mortimer, labor, 70.00

Wm. G. Janitor, " 7.00

A. J. Laverone, fumigating, etc., 9.75

City Pharmacy, supplies, 6.75

J. E. Barnes, printing, 30.00

M. Newman, livery, 3.50

W. H. Greenhalgh, traveling exp., 34.50

O'Neill & Podesta, livery, 3.50

Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., phones, 26.00

C. Ball et al, bluejay bounty, 1.00

M. C. Culloch, et al coyote bounty, 16.00

U. S. Gregory, brd. of prisoners, 69.50

County officers, postage, 20.00

Fred Raab, rent of jail, 5.00

SUPERIOR COURT.

Day fixed for Naturalization. An order was made that rule 3, of the rules of the superior court be amended by adding the following:

Saturday of each week is hereby designated as the day for hearing all applications for naturalization.

John Higgins vs. John H. Spring et al.—Hearing of motion continued until March 9.

John Hall vs. J. H. Spring et al.—Hearing of motion continued until March 9.

G. B. Vicini vs. Annie E. Allen.—Defendant allowed 10 days additional to answer.

Estate of F. M. Whitmore.—Hearing of petition for probate of will continued until March 9.

Estate of W. R. Kidd.—Final account settled; decree of distribution granted.

Estate of Joseph A. Williams.—Final account and petition for distribution filed; March 16, set for hearing.

People vs. George W. Kirby.—The charge of assault with a deadly weapon, with intent to commit murder, was reduced to assault with a deadly weapon, to which the defendant pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months in the county jail.

People vs. Spiro Guiriovich.—Defendant arraigned on a charge of murder, W. G. Snyder appears as attorney for defendant. Motion to set aside information denied; defendant overruled. Defendant granted until Saturday to plead.

People vs. John McGregor.—Arraignment set for March 9.

Broke Her Leg.

Mrs. G. M. Blair was the victim of a serious accident last Friday morning. While about the yard of her residence on Court street, she stepped on a piece of board and fell, sustaining a fracture of both bones of the right leg at a point just above the ankle. She is between sixty and seventy years of age, which adds to the seriousness of the case. The attending physician set the limb and placed it in a cast, and the patient is doing as well as could be expected. It will be two or three months under the most favorable circumstances before she will be able to get around again.

Kodol digests what you eat and quickly overcomes indigestion, which is a forerunner of dyspepsia. It is made in strict conformity to the National Pure Food and Drug Law, and is sold on a guarantee relief plan. Sold by F. W. Rubser.

Sweepstake Litigation Ended.

The suit for \$850,000 against Judge Davis and his associates arising out of the transaction of the sale of the Sweepstake mine in Trinity county, was ended on Monday last by a judgment in favor of the defendants given in the superior court of San Francisco. This closes a litigation that has been pending for a long time.

Criminal Returns.

Township 1, A. Goldner justice.—Raffaello Panocchi assault with deadly weapon, held to answer.

John McGregor, grand larceny, held to answer; bonds fixed at \$2000.

Township 2, J. H. Gartlin justice.—G. M. Haller, defrauding hotel keeper, fined \$20.

Pat. Patrice, grand larceny, horse-stealing.

Township 4, L. Rose justice.—John Patten, assault with deadly weapon; dismissed.

H. Conconi, battery, discharged.

Married in Seattle.

Miss Christina Rickert, well-known in Jackson and other parts of the county, having spent most of her life on the Hoffman homestead, of which she is at present the owner, was married in Seattle on Tuesday of last week, February 26, to Mr. A. C. Charleston, of that city. The wedding was quietly celebrated. Mr. Charleston is in business in Seattle in the cabinet-making line. The bride has been on an extended tour of the eastern states, visiting relatives there. Mr. Charleston is a brother-in-law of Mrs. M. W. Folger, of this town, he having married Mrs. Folger's sister. His wife died several years ago. They will make their home in Seattle.

Unclaimed Letters.

In Jackson post office, March 8, 1907.

Vincenzo Bonin, Mr. Fulton, Lindsay Kennedy, Mazzani Giovanni, Pasquale Isidoro, Pete Perdetto, Vaso Samardic, Chas. A. Wilkenson.

H. C. Herrill, superintendent of the insurance department of the Knights of Pythias for this district, came up from Sacramento yesterday, on a visit to the lodges in Jackson and other towns of Amador. He will visit the lodge here this evening. He is a brother to M. F. Herrill of Plymouth. In Sacramento recently he was presented with a handsome gold emblem of the order by Judge E. C. Hart, on behalf of the Uniform Rank of that city.

The Bates-Banks dramatic troupe performed in Love's hall three successive nights—Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The attendance was moderate.

Charles Lapchinetti, miner at the Zeila, fell down a raise a few days ago, bruising his back and arms so that he will be unable to work for a couple of weeks or more.

Measles are still very prevalent both around the Kennedy mine, and within the city limits. In several families there are two or more cases. They are all of a light character. Schools are running as usual, notwithstanding, but the precaution is taken that scholars in whose families the disease exists are kept out of the schools temporarily.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure Digests what you eat.

Serious Affray.

A serious scrape occurred on Sutter hill on Saturday last, between W. E. Parsons of this county, who for a time was running the plating mill near the old toll house in Jackson, and a man named James McGuirk, who is said to be from Calaveras county. The quarrel which led up to the scrap was of the most frivolous nature. Parsons, it seems, was working on the road on Sutter hill, this side of the town. While so engaged McGuirk came along in a buggy. He had evidently been drinking. Parsons kept on at his work, and as the buggy approached, threw a shovelful of earth into the roadway in front of the vehicle. It was not done in any way to annoy, but merely in the ordinary performance of his work. McGuirk, however, demurred to this proceeding, saying, "Don't cover up my buggy." He stopped, got out, and was ready for a fight right there. Other parties, however, interferred, and prevented an encounter. Parsons had a shovel and ax with him in his road work. He picked them up and went on some distance further up the hill. McGuirk was bent on a quarrel, and picked up the ax, which Parsons had laid down, and attacked Parsons savagely. Parsons was armed with the shovel, and defended himself with it. Both struck about the same time. Parsons received a blow with the edge of the ax across his right shoulder, making an ugly gash. McGuirk received the blade of the shovel in full force, and was disabled, dropping his own weapon and falling to the ground. Thereupon Parsons took up the ax and gave his antagonist a blow with the edge as he was in a prostrate or stooping position. The ax caught him behind the left shoulder, cutting deeply into the tissue, and through two ribs. The wound is dangerous and may prove fatal. Parsons is not seriously hurt. McGuirk was taken to the Summit house, where he still remains under the care of Dr. Goodman. No arrests have been made as yet, although the officers went over to the scene on the day of the fight, and deemed it unnecessary to take legal steps at that time.

"In 1897 I had a stomach disease. Some physicians said dyspepsia, some consumption. One said I would not live until spring. For four years I existed on boiled milk, soda biscuits, and doctor's prescriptions. I could not digest anything I ate; then I picked up one of your Almanacs and it happened to be my life-saver. I bought a fifty-cent bottle of Kodol and the benefit I received from that bottle all the gold in Georgia could not buy. In two months I went back to my work as a machinist, and in three months I was well and hearty. May you live long and prosper."—C. N. Cornell, Roding, Ga., 1906. The above is only a sample of the great good that is daily done everywhere by Kodol for dyspepsia. It is sold here by F. W. Rubser.

The election of officers of Jackson Miners' Union, W. F. M., took place Wednesday. There was only one contest, namely the secretaryship. The candidates for this position, which carries a salary of \$75 per month—the only salaried office in the organization—were Samuel L. Harris, the present incumbent, who has held the place for the past two years and a half, and Sam Phear, a little over one hundred votes were cast, with the result that the incumbent was re-elected by a good margin. The other officers elected were: President, Archie Perovich; vice-president, Herbert Grigg; recording secretary, John Jeffrey; conductor, James Maddern; inside guard, M. Lucchesi; outside guard, John Milovich; trustee, Mat Williams. The officers hold for six months.

Rainfall.

The rainfall for the past week is as follows:

March 1, 0.47

March 4, 0.56

March 5, 0.15

March 6, 0.14

Total for week, 1.32

Total for season, 28.71

Same period last season 19.71.

Money in Treasury.

By official count made March 4, the amount and kind of money in the county treasury was as follows:

Gold, \$335.00

Silver, 4633.85

Checks and bills, 1491.00

Currency, 1282.22

Warrants uncanceled, 10700.20

Special deposit Amador Bank, 39000.00

Total, \$64,431.27

MINING NOTES.

'Bay State.—Reports from this property are to the effect that it is looking better than at any previous period in its history. The ore body is of large size, and a quality to leave a fair margin of profit. The mill has not been started, but will be shortly, with every prospect of a long and prosperous career.

Bright.—This property was started up early this week, for the purpose of taking the water out, to permit of a further investigation by experts from New York. Three shifts are engaged, working night and day with three men on a shift, under the management of Geo. Tucker. This work is being done by the intending purchasers. Samples were taken when the property was drained before, and these assayed very satisfactorily. We are told that a proposition has been made by these parties for the purchase of the mine, which has been accepted by Mr. Bright. The outlook is very encouraging for the development of this property on a large scale.

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A Heavy Load to Carry.

Along with dyspepsia comes nervousness and general ill-health. Why? Because a disordered stomach does not permit the food to be properly digested, and its products assimilated by the system. The blood is charged with poisons which, coming from this disordered digestion, and in turn the nerves are not fed on good, red blood, and we see symptoms of nervousness, sleeplessness and general breakdown. It is not head work, nor over physical exertion that does it, but poor digestion. With poor, thin blood the body is not protected against the attack of germs of grip, bronchitis and consumption. Fortify the body at once with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery—a rare combination of native medicinal roots without a particle of alcohol or dangerous habit-forming drugs.

Little book of extracts from prominent medical authorities extolling every ingredient contained in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will be mailed free to any address on request by postal card or letter. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Many years of active practice convinced Dr. Pierce of the value of many native roots as medicinal agents and he went to great expense, both in time and money, to perfect his own peculiar process for rendering them both efficient and safe for tonic, alterative and rebuilding agents.

The famous "Golden Medical Discovery" is due both to its scientific compounding and to the actual medicinal value of its ingredients. The publication of the genuine first edition, gives full assurance of its non-alcoholic character and removes all objections to the use of an unknown or secret remedy. It is not a patent medicine nor a secret one. This fact puts it in a class all by itself, bearing as it does upon every bottle the wrapper The Badge of Honesty, in the full list of its ingredients.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" cures, weak stomach, indigestion, or dyspepsia, torpid liver and biliousness, ulceration of the stomach and bowels, dandruff, skin eruptions, no matter what parts or organs may be affected with it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original little liver pills, first put up 40 years ago. They regulate and invigorate, stomach, liver and bowels. Much imitated but never equalled. Sugar-coated and easy to take as candy. One to three a dose.

Beards and Battles.
Shaggy locks and patriarchal beards have proved highly inconvenient things on the battlefield. Does not history record that Alexander ordered the Macedonians to be shaved lest their beards should give a handle to their enemies? Peter the Great was also a friend of the barbers, for he not only ordered all ranks to be shaved, but caused officers to go about to cut off the beards of offenders by force.

His Second.
"She-I must say I don't believe in 'warmed-over' love. He-Well, there's one thing sure—a widower's second love is always worth more than his first. She-The idea! He-I mean his second ladylove is always worth more money than his first.—Philadelphia Press.

Womanly.
"What," she asked, "is your idea of a womanly woman?"
"One," he replied, "who takes the comb out of her back twice every little while and gives it to three upward scrapes and then fairs it in again."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Mica when reduced to a powder form is used as a lubricant for a high speed machinery. It keeps the bearings free from dust and resists cold and dampness.

A Fateful Day For Catholics.
One of the most wonderful contrasts in history was made manifest on the day of Newman's entrance into the Roman Catholic church. On Oct. 8, 1845, Newman made his conversion to the Passionist Father Dominic at Littlemore. On the same day, Oct. 8, 1845, Ernest Renan left the seminary of St. Sulpice and went out of the church into the world.—London Standard.

Pit and Fought.
One would have thought this an Americanism, but I find it in Garrigue's "Miss In Her Teens," where Tag says to Flash: "Oh pray let me see you fight! There were two gentlemen fist yesterday," etc. (act 2).—Notes and Queries.

And Cheerfully Too.
"Ninety per cent of the men in this world make fools of themselves for money."
"Worse than that. Ninety per cent of them make fools of themselves for nothing."—Cleveland Press.

It is often better not to see an insult than to avenge it.—Seneca.

WAGER OF BATTLE.

The First Duels Are Said to Have Been Fought in Italy.

The first duels were fought in Italy, according to Millingen, who speaks of a manuscript discovered at Cassel and describes a duel between a father and a son in the reign of the Emperor Theodor. When Charlemagne forbade wagers of battle among the Lombards he encountered the fiercest opposition from the nobles. Early in the ninth century De Medicis, a knight, defeated in a single combat the benoit Musci, who devastated the Florentine district now called after him, Mugello. Otto II. granted the prayer of the nobility for the re-establishment of wagers of battle in 988. Women and priests were not compelled to accept it. The Normans showed less gallantry. With them a woman had to accept, nor could she name a champion. Her male opponent, however, was buried to his waist in the earth. Armed with a club he tried to strike her as she died around him, his weapon being a ball of iron at the end of a cord. If he failed to touch her at the third attempt he was vanquished, which meant to him death with dishonor.

Becarrin says that the reason so many duels were fought in Italy in the early days is that where the law does not afford protection one must look to single combat to retain the respect of one's fellow men. In the middle ages the ferocity of Italian duels passed belief. "Any way of putting an enemy to death (ogul modo) is good enough," says one of their writers. "When an Italian spares his vanquished adversary," says Brantome, "he maims his arms and legs and gives him as a memento of his kindness and generosity a hideous gash across the face." Lampugnano practiced on a painted model of Galeazzo Sforza before he stabbed him. Duelling was called "la scienza cavalleresca."—Cornhill Magazine.

DRINK MORE, EAT LESS.

Advice For Those With Rheumatism, Gout, Eczema and Neuralgia.

If people would take less nutrition and drink more water, there would be less rheumatism, gout, eczema and neuralgia in the world. The most frequent cause of these derangements is an excess of nutritive materials. The blood is surcharged with salts that are not needed in the system.

The doctors are trying to remedy these diseases by giving something to eliminate the salts, such as purgatives, diuretics and solvents of various kinds. The rational way, however, to cure such afflictions is to stop the cause. Drink more water; eat less meat and concentrated foods. This shuts off the supply of urates in the blood.

Those who take active exercise in the open air every day require a greater amount of nutrition. Not only do they use up the nutritive materials in muscular exercise, but the amount of oxygen inhaled because of their activities thoroughly oxidizes the urates and changes them in urea. If the blood is loaded with urates they are very likely to crystallize, especially in those portions of the body where the circulation is the least and the temperature is the lowest, such as the elbows, ankles, the toes and fingers.

Drink more water; eat less food. This is a prescription that is worth more to such people than all the drugs in the world. Shut off the source of urate poisoning and the effects of urate poisoning will disappear.—Exchange.

The Gentlemanly Leopard.

The cheetah has a reputation as one of the most gentlemanly of beasts. A story from Ootacamund shows what fine manners the animal has. Three Calcutta visitors to the hill station were out on a tramp when they were overtaken by a thunderstorm, accompanied by sheets of rain. They fled to the side of the hill, and into it they rushed. When the rain stopped they came out and, to their surprise, found a cheetah sitting licking the heavy wet coat of his waistcoat and his paws. It was his cave, but rather than deprive his visitors of their shelter the polite creature had sat outside in the driving tempest. With a friendly mew and gracefully wagging his tail, the cheetah bade adieu to his guests and walked with dignity into his house.—Asian Magazine.

How to Succeed in Literature.

The qualities which I consider most conducive to success in literature are imagination, coupled with a great knowledge of the world, concentration, the willingness and ability to work hard, a considerable knowledge of business and a firm determination to ignore the instructions of literary and other agents with regard to what the reading public may be supposed to require. If any author once loses his independence in writing he may be called finished, so far as any career is in question.—John Oliver Hobbes.

Rainy Day Money.

"Is your husband putting by anything for a rainy day?" asked the prudent relative.

"I think so," answered young Mrs. Torkins. "I heard him mention several horses yesterday that he said always run best on a muddy track."—Washington Star.

Smart Youth.

"Young man, there are two questions in life—Will it pay? and 'Is it right?' Which shall you choose?"
"Both. I'll use the first up to fifty, and then I can probably afford to adopt the second."—Houston Chronicle.

Benevolence is the tranquil habitation of man, and righteousness is his straight path.—Menclius.

Chills and Hot Baths.

Hot water bathing is beneficial in counteracting the effect of a chill. First, it induces another mischief worked by the chill. The latter has sent too much blood internally, so risking congestion. Heat brings the blood to the surface. Heat is not life, but it is one of the factors of life. Indeed, dissolution always occurs when the internal bodily temperature is greatly lowered. Heat will not keep a body alive and great heat will kill it. In many morbid states of the system, as rheumatism, hot baths are of great service. Warm baths are useless. The heat should be as great as can be borne without pain.

THE DEVILFISH.

Its Ability to Change Its Own and the Water's Color.

"I was lying on a rock watching the movements of some land crabs which kept retreating from the water as the tide rose, when suddenly a crab dashed frantically from the water, and out after it galloped—there is no other word for it—a devilfish nearly two feet across," writes an observer from Avalon, Cal. "The animal continued the chase a short distance, lifting its tentacles in the air in a sort of overhead motion; then, finding pursuit hopeless, it withdrew with a peculiarly unpleasant, writhing, gliding motion characteristic of these animals. Upon reaching the water it stationed itself just at the edge, so mimicking the color of the bottom that when I glanced away and looked suddenly back I could not at once distinguish it. This devilfish had the appearance of a cat watching for mice, and when a crab was seen it would shoot out a long, attenuated tentacle and attempt to seize it. By carefully insinuating my way to the water's edge I quickly grasped the specimen and after a short struggle tore it from the rocks and secured it."

"At various times I had from three to five devilfishes in an inclosure where I could watch them change color and test their strength. In confinement, if the tank bottom was dark, they assumed various tints, generally a dark reddish brown, but the largest one was a tigerlike creature, about three feet across, with a ground of livid white covered with black or dark gray blotches, giving it a truly fiendish appearance, especially as the eyes were conspicuous and appeared to emit lambent gleams. The change of color was marvelous in its rapidity. In a special tank in which two of these prisoners were confined they occupied the corners, facing outward, with arms either curled under or above them. At one offensive movement on my part, presenting my hand under water, the color scheme would change. A blush appeared to pass over the entire surface, and in a large squid I can only compare it to lead lightning—a rapid and continued series of flushing and paling, from deep brick red to gray."

"It was very evident that the animals differed much in pugnacity. Some did not resent my touching them; others merely threw a tentacle in my direction, while one never touched me, but directed its siphon at my hand under water and sent a violent current in that direction, apparently endeavoring to blow my hand away. It was fascinating to observe the range this water gun had and how by seeming intuition the devilfish could direct it at my hand as I slowly moved it about while attempting to attract the animal's attention in an opposite direction."

When Hoops Begin.

When hoops "in" for the first time? According to Strutt, "trundling the hoop is a pastime of uncertain origin, but much in fashion at present" (1801). Dr. Murray's dictionary, incidentally remarking that the original hoop affected by boys was a barrel, gives the English name to it as earlier than 1772. But the hoop was well known to ancient Greek and Roman boys, who called it a "trochus" (wheel). Their hoops were made of bronze, and representations of them on gems show that they were driven by a little hook with a wooden handle, very like the modern boy's hoop stick. This was called by the Greeks "elater" (driver) and by the Romans "clavis" (key). Sometimes the ancient hoop had bells attached to it, and modern London may be glad to be spared at least that exasperation.—London Chronicle.

Unfortunate Omission.

One of the most singular instances of punishment for an oversight was that shown by the commitment of an almanac maker to the Bastille in 1717. It was made out by order of the Duke of Orleans, regent during the minority of Louis V. of France, and read as follows: "Laurence d'Henry, for disrespect to King George I. in not mentioning him in his almanac as king of Great Britain." How long this unlucky almanac maker remained in prison is unknown. The register of the Bastille, examined at the time of the revolution, failed to throw any light on the subject.

Properties of Chlorine.

Chlorine is a greenish yellow gas with a disagreeable smell. It is soluble in cold water, only slightly soluble in hot water. It destroys color in wet fabrics and is also a strong disinfectant. Both of these properties are said to be due to its power of decomposing hydrogen compounds, such as water, combining with the hydrogen and liberating oxygen, which in a nascent state oxidizes coloring matter, rendering it colorless. As a disinfectant it oxidizes the germs of disease and is consequently largely used for this purpose.

Strange Mistake.

Old Mrs. Jones entered the drawing room unexpectedly and spied a very pretty tableau.

"I was just whispering a secret in Cousin Jennie's ear," explained Charlie. "I'm sorry," said the old lady gravely, "that your eyesight has become so bad that you mistake Jennie's mouth for her ear."—London Tit-Bits.

Her Line.

"Now our cook has gone away I don't know what we shall do."

"I thought you told me your wife was such a good cook?"

"Not a bit of it. I told you my wife was an expert in broils, roasts and stews."—Baltimore American.

The Nickname.

The public man in America who has never been tagged with a nickname may be just as efficient and worthy of praise as his brethren who are known as "Bill" and "Joe," but he has not achieved an equal measure of popularity. Nicknames are often inspired by affection, though by aversion. "The men of the people," so called, are invariably nicknamed. Venerable citizens still refer to "Abe" Lincoln, dwelling with reminiscence on the affectionate brevity of the name. In this country the people have a way of abbreviating the names of the men they really like and assigning their full titles to the men who prefer dignity to popularity.—Pittsburg Gazette.

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THE CURSE OF INDIA

CASTE, WHICH FIXES THE STATUS OF EVERY HINDOO.

No Man Can Rise From the Class, However Unclean, In Which He Was Born—Neither Wealth Nor Success Affects the Caste of Any One.

In the fixed scale of descent in India some classes are merely inferior, while some are "unclean" or "untouchable," but from whatsoever class a man be born in he has no escape but death. Children born in an "unclean" caste remain "unclean," children born in an inferior caste remain as their fathers were. Nothing that they can do can in the slightest degree change their situation. They were born "unclean," their ancestors were "unclean," their descendants will be "unclean" till the end of the chapter.

To give a few illustrations from many, a weaver is less "unclean" than a carpenter, a carpenter is above a house cleaner, a house cleaner is above a street cleaner, and a street cleaner is above a pariah or no caste man. Every trade or occupation has its exact place, arbitrarily fixed, in the scale of degradation.

Above all the men that labor with their hands in whatsoever way are the tradesmen and shopkeepers, also with subdivisions into classes; above the tradesmen is the unclean and now almost idle warrior class; above the warriors is the Brahman or priestly class, and with these grand divisions the structure of the system is complete.

Wealth or material situation or success has nothing to do with the caste of any man. You may hire for your cook or valet a Brahman of the purest strain serene, who for weeks before you engaged him may have been on the verge of starvation. The meager beggar to whom you toss alms in the road may be of a very high caste. The well fed groom, resplendent in gorgeous livery, clanking by on a carriage that covers the beggar with dust, is very likely of a caste a mile below the beggar. Time no more than effort can break down these walls of division. One of the wealthiest and most distinguished families in Calcutta, the famous Tagore family, lost caste about two centuries ago. Members of this family have received honor from the government, have conferred great benefits upon city and country and have been noted for their numerous charities and benefactions. One exerted himself all his life to further native education. Another helped to endow Calcutta university. All are enormously rich, and all bear enviable reputations for goodness, honesty and philanthropy. But the wall of caste has never fallen for them. They are still hated and avoided by their countrymen exactly as they were at the beginning of their exclusion. In the streets of Calcutta is many a ragged artisan that would not sit on the same bench with a Tagore or touch the end of his robe.

Paupers, suffering, penury, even death itself, is nothing to the Hindoo caste. It is the thing to be feared. Many a Hindoo that in the old days would yield nothing to the most fiendish tortures quickly surrendered his secrets when threatened with something that would contaminate him—a piece of cowskin, perhaps, or a glass of water that had been touched by a pariah. In I suppose, thousands of cases persons that have hopelessly lost their caste have abandoned their homes and wandered miserably along the roads until death overtook them. Thousands of others have thrown themselves into the Ganges or deliberately starved.

Three Brahman girls who had been degraded by a Mussulman went before a judge to demand vengeance and when the judge declined to interfere killed themselves in the courtroom. At a town called Buj Buj a widow lost caste by falling in love with a man beneath her. As loss of caste by one member of the family degrades the others also, her eldest son immediately drank poison and died, and his remaining brethren fled the country.

A husband shares a wife's degradation. A wife goes down the steps with a husband. For more than 100 years a Brahman family of Santipur has been outcaste because one member fell in love with the daughter of a shoemaker.—Charles Edward Russell in Cosmopolitan Magazine.

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